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**For: Determining a Community Rating for a User Using Feedback Ratings of Related Users in an Electronic Environment**

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